

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend page 4, line 16 through page 5, line 5 as follows:

Another inconvenience of the prior art ~~consists in~~ is that there is no content prefetching technology effective for reducing the time from the content acquisition operation by the portable terminal user to the actual display of the content. This is because, among content prefetching technologies mentioned for the prior art, the first method to hold the prefetched content on the terminal is limited in the memory capacity if applied to the portable ~~terminal, and as~~ terminal. Since little capacity can be used to hold the content, it can hardly be applied. As for the second method to store the prefetched content at the gateway server, if applied as proposed conventionally, ~~useless~~ the amount of useless prefetched content increases, and therefore, the traffic load increases. This is because, as ~~the~~ this conventional prefetching technology is ~~composed to prefetch~~ prefetches by content unit ~~asked~~ requested by the user, ~~to obtain, contents referred to by the divided portion demanded to obtain~~ linked in the requested content, but useless content ~~prefetching and so~~ not transmitted yet to the portable terminal, are also prefetched.